Abstract Submitted for the MAR17 Meeting of The American Physical Society

Strongly correlated transport and edge states in dopant arrays in silicon NGUYEN LE, University of Surrey, ANDREW FISHER, University College London, ERAN GINOSSAR, University of Surrey — Advanced experimental techniques such as single-ion implantation and STM lithography have enabled the fabrication of deterministically placed dopants in silicon. We have studied theoretically the strongly correlated coherent transport in small arrays of Si:P. The array is described by an effective Hubbard model whose eigenstates are obtained by exact diagonalization, coupled by hopping to non-interacting leads. We study the tunnel coupling disorder caused by multi-valley interference and the dopants positional fluctuation. This disorder results in Lifshitz localization of the many-body wavefunction, which suppresses the charge transport through the array. The effect of long range inter-dopant Coulomb interactions in the system is also investigated. Finally, we show that topological edge states can be realised, and discuss the characteristics of the topological phase transition in a one-dimensional superlattice of Si:P.

> Nguyen Le University of Surrey

Date submitted: 11 Nov 2016

Electronic form version 1.4